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SUBJECT: 25TH UNDP GOVERNING COUNCIL: ICAO AVIATION
SECURITY TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

REF: MONTREAL 1289 (NOTAL)

1. US REP TO ICAO INFORMED US JUNE 29 THAT UNDP ADMINIS-
TRATOR MORSE, IN TELEPHONE CALL TO ICAO COUNCIL PRESIDENT
KOTAITE, HAS INFORMED LATTER OF UNDP AGREEMENT TO PROVIDE
ONE MILLION DOLLARS IN UNDP FUNDS FOR ICAO AVIATION
SECURITY TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM. PROGRAM AS OUTLINED
BY KOTAITE TO MAJOR AVIATION COUNTRIES ON ICAO COUNCIL IN
DECEMBER 1977 IS DESIGNED TO ASSIST APPROPRIATE AUTHORITIES
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IN DEVELOPING COUNTRIES TO STRENGTHEN THEIR AIRPORT SECURITY
ARRANGEMENTS. PROJECT WOULD CONSIST OF TWO PARTS: 1) IN-
SPECTION BY EXPERTS OF AVIATION SECURITY FACILITIES AND
ARRANGEMENTS AT CIVIL AIRPORTS AND ADVICE TO GOVERNMENTS
CONCERNED ON ANY ADDITIONAL ACTIONS REQUIRED, WHERE
APPROPRIATE, TO ACHIEVE NECESSARY STANDARD OF AVIATION
SECURITY; AND 2) ESTABLISHMENT OF AVIATION SECURITY COURSES

AND FELLOWSHIPS IN FOUR UNDP REGIONS (AFRICA, LATIN AMERICA, MIDDLE EAST-EUROPE, AND ASIA) TO TRAIN SECURITY OFFICERS, POLICE OFFICERS, AND AIRPORT MANAGERS. ORIGINAL ESTIMATED COST OF PROGRAM OF 1.6 MILLION DOLLARS FOR TWO YEARS, ACCORDING TO KOTAITE, HAS BEEN REVISED DOWN TO ONE

MILLION DOLLARS, AND FIFTY DEVELOPING COUNTRIES HAVE EXPRESSED SUPPORT FOR PROJECT (REFTEL). WE UNDERSTAND THAT ICAO WILL BE EXECUTING AGENCY FOR UNDP.

2. DEPARTMENT STRONGLY ENDORSES THIS PROGRAM AS MOST USEFUL COUNTERPART TO ICAO ONGOING WORK IN UPGRADING STANDARDS AND RECOMMENDED PRACTICES (SARP'S) TO PREVENT UNLAWFUL INTERFERENCE WITH CIVIL AVIATION. WE WOULD APPRECIATE ANY FURTHER DETAILS THAT UNDP OFFICIALS CAN PROVIDE US DELEGATION. VANCE

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